

1959-09-11

AFSENDER

Hanna Ben Dov

MODTAGER

Arthur Køpcke

FAKTA

Dokumenttype:

Brev

Sprog:

engelsk

Afsendersted:

Paris

Modtagersted:

København

Omtalte personer:

Egon Karl Nicolaus

Arkivplacering:

Aros, Arthur Køpckes Arkiv

DOKUMENTINDHOLD

Ben Dov har netop modtaget Køpckes brev, som har forundret og foruroliget hende. Nicolaus burde have været mere præcis og ansvarlig med hensyn til sine oplysninger. De var blevet enige om betingelserne for udstillingen, og det er ikke hendes skyld, at Nicolaus ikke ved, hvad han taler om. Det første, de havde talt om, var priserne.

TRANSSKRIFTION

11. sep. 59

Dear Mr. Køpcke,

Your letter has just arrived,
and I am absolutely amazed and
bewildered to read it.

M. Nicolaus had to be more
precise and responsible in his
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exhibition according to certain
terms and conditions, and it
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know what he is talking
about. The first thing we
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the point, which are my prices here.
He said it was perfectly all
right, and even rather low
prices, since some other people
ask for 8.000 the point. (This, by
the way is my price in the New York
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Mr. Køpcke, that I don't in
the least consider your gallery a
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normal conditions. It is a
pity you have bad experiences
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You will find out, Mr. K pcke, that my work sells very well and is worth while for you to show. I have had many shows by now, and know..

You will find the agreed prices perfectly right, that is 1700 kr. for a 30 F for you. Out of which you take your percentage. Mr. Nicolaus said it was from 25% to 28%.

I hope he did not go wrong there too. However, since you asked for it, let us make it 30% for you. That leaves 1.190 kr. for you = 30 F for myself. The very minimum I can accept for myself will be of 1.150 KR for a 30 F for myself. The rest for you. However, pictures under 25 can not go lower than 4.000 the point (For the gallery) I assure you, Mr. K pcke, that all this is exceptional for me.

My very best wishes, H. Ben Dov

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